

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 29, line 10 with the following marked-up replacement paragraph:

C! ~~¶~~ Figure 8 illustrates an exemplary entity relationship diagram 800. The Application Administration area 802 contains client application information. Each application needs to register in order to ~~user~~ use the Profile Repository 170, and the registration data is captured in the User_Application entity 804. The Application_Buffer entity 806 provides buffers for application-specific information that otherwise would need to be stored elsewhere. While applications are encouraged to store only enterprise-wide data that is sharable to other applications, the buffers offer flexibility to client applications that only need to store a small amount of application-specific data in the Profile Repository 170 without having to develop their own databases to do it. ¶
